

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF TYWYN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020**  
**AT YSGOL UWCHRADD TYWYN AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor: Eileen Jones (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: Ron W. McCoo, Marisa D. O'Hara, Cathy Evans, Matthew Cooling,  
Anne Lloyd-Jones, Mick Stevens, Aled Lewis, Alun Wyn Evans, John  
Pughe

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Francesca Pridding (Town Clerk)

Cl. 157 **APOLOGIES:**  
11.03.20 Nancy Clarke  
Hilary Rowlands

Cl. 158 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**  
11.03.20 Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones – Item 15 - Update on Ynysmaengwyn Caravan Park

Cl. 159 **BRO DYSYNNI FOOTBALL CLUB**  
11.03.20 Billy Simkiss and Robert Davies presented their plans to the Council for the development of the Bro Dysynni Football Club and its facilities.  
The presenters introduced themselves, Billy Simkiss as the Chair of the club and Robert Davies as the club ambassador who has returned to Tywyn in recent times having been a professional footballer for West Bromwich and being capped for Wales.  
They went onto explain that due to unmodernised facilities, talented youth from Dysynni are forced to train outside the area. The facilities at the Leisure Centre and at the Cae Chwarae in Brynchrug are not able to support the Club's ambitions. The club is looking for the support of the Town Council in its bid to develop Cae Rhianfa, the school's playing field, into a suitable facility which will then be an attraction to the town. They hope that the town will be able to host a state of the art 3G pitch with seating and a clubhouse allowing them to achieve their goal of becoming a Football Association Wales, Platinum accredited Club.

Cl. 160 **JAYNE MILLS – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
11.03.20 Presentation by Jayne Mills of Praxis Community Development Consultancy. Jayne Mills explained that her consultancy is able to advise on communication within the community enabling a partnership approach to development by encouraging groups to communicate and collaborate on the identified needs of the town. Jayne explained that her methods of communication and identification of groups created a more resilient community and delivered improved volunteering and employability prospects for the residents. Jayne offered her services to the Council.

Cl. 161 **CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITY REPORT**  
11.03.20 Delivered on behalf of Chair by Eileen Jones  
12/02 – Received a letter of resignation from Councillor Quentin Deakin  
15/02 – Attended Veterans Breakfast at the Tallyllyn Railway Cafe

29/02 – Attended the Tywyn and District Spotlight Awards

04/03 - Attended Finance Committee

12/02 – Meeting with LleChi at the Neuadd Pendre to discuss the Destination and Action Plan

The Chair reported that 2 complaints to the Ombudsman have been made  
Councillor Stevens has complained about Councillor Nancy Clarke  
Personnel Committee has complained about Councillor Stevens

**Amendment: The reference to the Personnel Committee complaint regarding Councillor Stevens did not form part of the Chair's Report**

Cl. 162  
11.03.20

**MINUTES:**

Receive and approve: -

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, 12 February 2020

**RESOLVED:** To receive and approve with Councillor Ron McCoo proposing and Councillor Marisa O'Hara seconding the motion.

Cl. 163  
11.03.20

**STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Receive and approve: -

Finance

Meeting held 4th March 2020

**RESOLVED:** To receive and approve with Councillor Eileen Jones proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the motion.

Councillor Stevens declared an interest in the next item

Personnel

Meeting held 21st February 2020

**RESOLVED:** To receive and approve with Councillor John Pughe proposing and Councillor Matthew Cooling seconding the motion.

**Amendment: Councillor Stevens requested of Councillor Pughe Minutes of a Personnel Committee not delivered.**

Cl. 164  
11.03.20

**EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

Councillors Anne Lloyd-Jones, Marisa O'Hara and John Pughe reported having attended the Veterans Breakfast at the Talylyn Railway on 15/02/2020

Councillors Marisa O'Hara, Aled Lewis, Eileen Jones and Matthew Cooling cleared rubbish at the skatepark following a complaint by a member of the public. £5 found to be donated to the skatepark fund.

Letter of thanks to be sent to Walter Marsh for his exemplary service in keeping the town tidy.

Cl. 165 **ONE VOICE WALES MEMBERSHIP**

11.03.20 Motion to approve One Voice Wales membership for 2020/21

**RESOLVED:** To approve with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the motion

Cl. 166 **SANDILANDS BUS SHELTER**

11.03.20 Motion to approve the purchase of new bus shelter for Sandilands Road

**RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase of a new bus shelter once it is confirmed that it can have an enclosed west facing end with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor John Pughe seconding the motion.

Cl. 167 **PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

11.03.20 Motion to respond to request for comments on proposed parking restrictions.

**RESOLVED:** To respond with NO OBJECTION with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor Matthew Cooling seconding the motion.

Cl. 168 **PHONE BOX RETENTION**

11.03.20 Motion to respond to BT regarding the proposal to remove the phone boxes in the town.

**RESOLVED:** To respond objecting to the removal of the High Street and Sandilands phone boxes the with Councillor Eileen Jones proposing and Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones seconding the motion.

Cl. 169 **TREASURER'S REPORT**

11.03.20 Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the months of January and February 2020

**RESOLVED:** To with Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones proposing and Councillor Matthew Cooling seconding the motion.

Cl. 170 **NEWS FROM GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

11.03.20

- Budget approved with a 3.9% increase representing £1.04 per week increase on Band D Council Tax
- Gwynedd capital expenditure programme of £44,247,260 agreed
- £456,000 ring fenced for electric vehicle charging points across the county
- Traffic commissioner now has a North Wales base in addition to the South Wales provision.
- Tywyn will be keeping 2 PCSOs although Tywyn continues to have one of lowest crime rate in North Wales
- Youth Services will be delivering workshops regarding homelessness to combat the increase in young people affected.
- Gwynedd is providing guidance on Brexit transition
- Gwynedd is recruiting for a Citizen's Panel

- Maritime have removed unclear dog exclusion signs from the seafront and will be replacing with clearer instructions.
- Possible grant funding available for Tywyn/Aberdyfi safe route.
- Possible Gwynedd Recycling Centre to come to Tywyn
- Plaques from the Victorian Shelter are being renovated
- Thanks to be conveyed to Sion Wilkes regarding his prompt response to recent highways issues.

Cl. 171

**CLERK'S REPORT**

11.03.20

Motion to receive Clerk's Report

**RESOLVED:** To receive the report and send letter of thanks to Liz Haynes with Councillor Marisa O'Hara proposing and Councillor Cathy Evans seconding the motion.

Councillor Anne Lloyd-Jones left the room

Cl. 172

**YNYSYMAENGWYN CARAVAN PARK UPDATE**

11.03.20

It was reported that the expected progress is being made towards the transfer of the Caravan Park to the subsidiary company being set up by the Ynysymaengwyn Trust.

The meeting was declared closed at 8:45 pm

**CADEIRYDD / CHAIRMAN**